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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Friday, July 15, 2005
Date/Time of Occurrence: Thursday, July 14, 2005 9 p.m.
Nature of Event: Suspect Arrested in Granite Bay Homicide
Location of Call: Granite Bay

Released by: Dena Erwin, CSO, (530) 889-6922

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:



Placer County sheriff's detectives arrested a 23-year-old Granite Bay man on an open charge of murder Thursday night for the stabbing death of his longtime friend.

Caleb John Madsen was taken into custody at his family's Bella Vista Drive home at 9 p.m. for the murder of Christopher Worth. Madsen and Worth's families live very close to each other.

Investigators determined that Worth spent Saturday afternoon and evening with Madsen at Madsen's home. Worth, who resided in Rocklin, was found dead Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in a field near Madsen's home. Preliminary autopsy results indicate Worth died from a single stab wound to the chest. A knife was found at the scene near Worth's truck. The truck was found high-centered on a bank alongside Cavitt Stallman Road in Granite Bay.

Additional evidence found at the scene and at the Madsen home indicate that Worth was killed at the Madsen residence and that his body was transported to the field in his own truck. The knife and portions of the additional evidence believed to link the killing to Madsen's property is currently being examined at the California Department of Justice Crime Lab in Sacramento.

Madsen is being held without bail at the Placer County Jail pending a probable Monday arraignment. For further information, contact Sgt. Brian Whigam at (530) 889-7856.